

What is claimed is:

1. A data processing system for evaluating treatment of patients in a medical facility,

the system comprising:

means for entering patient treatment information for a plurality of patients;

5 means for storing the patient treatment information for said plurality of patients;

means for comparing the patient treatment information collectively for said plurality of patients to predetermined values, to evaluate the treatment received by said plurality of patients; and

means for reporting the comparison of the patient treatment information for said

10 plurality of patients to the predetermined values to evaluate the treatment received by said plurality of patients, so that the medical facility is able to improve its treatment of future patients.

2. The data processing system of Claim 1, further comprising means responsive to the reported comparisons for identifying the need to provide additional training for a

15 medical care provider.

3. The data processing system of Claim 1, further comprising means responsive to the reported comparisons for identifying the need to provide additional training for the medical facility.

4. The data processing system of Claim 1, further comprising means responsive to 20 the reported comparisons for allocating staff resources in the medical facility.

5. A data processing method for evaluating treatment of patients in a medical facility, the method comprising:

entering patient treatment information for a plurality of patients;

storing the patient treatment information for said plurality of patients; comparing the patient treatment information collectively for said plurality of patients to predetermined values to evaluate the treatment received by said plurality of patients; and

5 reporting the comparison of the patient treatment information for said plurality of patients to the predetermined values, to evaluate the treatment received by said plurality of patients so that the medical facility is able to improve its treatment of future patients.

6. The data processing method of Claim 5, further comprising evaluating the performance of a treatment protocol using the reported comparisons.

10 7. The data processing method of Claim 5, further comprising evaluating the performance of a medical care provider using the reported comparisons.

8. The data processing method of Claim 5, further comprising identifying the need to provide additional training for a medical care provider using the reported comparisons.

9. The data processing method of Claim 5, further comprising evaluating the 15 performance of the medical facility using the reported comparisons.

10. The data processing method of Claim 5, further comprising identifying the need to provide additional training for the medical facility using the reported comparisons.

11. The data processing method of Claim 5, further comprising allocating staff resources in the medical facility using the reported comparisons.